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State of Maine

104 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Maine Diversion Alert Program: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help reduce the amount of prescription drugs diverted to non-medical use and abuse. This project will help develop a secure web-based program of those arrested for drug-related offenses for use by prescribers and pharmacists to access when considering prescribing narcotics, benzodiazepines or other controlled substances.

Maine Department of Marine Resources

21 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333

Requested Funding: \$215,000 for:

Maine Groundfish Research: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help provide important data for the fishing industry to remain viable. Funds will be used to assess species not caught in traditional trawl gear such as halibut, cusk and wolffish. Lack of data threatens a multi million dollar industry. They are seeking funding for a demersal ecologist to improve groundfish science in Maine.

Maine Huts and Trails

375 N. Main St., Kingfield, ME 04947

Requested Funding: \$1,000,000 for:

Maine Huts and Trails: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it has the potential of enhancing tourism in the region. When completed, Maine Huts & Trails will include up to 12 rustic backcountry huts and more than 180 miles of non-motorized trails.

Maine Huts and Trails

375 N. Main St., Kingfield, Maine 04947

Requested Funding: \$550,000 for:

Maine Huts and Trails - Dead River Recreational foot bridge: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it has the potential of enhancing tourism to the region. The bridge will provide a required crossing of the Dead River between Flagstaff Lake and the Forks.

Manufacturers Association of Maine

28 Stroudwater Street Suite #4, Westbrook, ME 04092

Requested Funding: \$1,243,500 for:

Maine Industry Partnership Initiative: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds provide Maine businesses with the programs necessary to adapt to a changing business landscape. Manufacturers Association of Maine is developing a demand-driven Industry Partnership model that builds upon existing partnerships to meet the skills needs of businesses, the

career goals of workers, and the economic development goals of Maine.

Maine Institute for Human Genetics and Health

43 Whiting Hill Road, Brewer, ME 04412

Requested Funding: \$5,000,000 for:

Maine Institute for Human Genetics and Health: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide the DoD technologies necessary to help meet the health care needs of the military while helping to address the unique health care challenges present in rural Maine. The MIHGH was founded by EMHS, Eastern Maine Medical Center, The Jackson Laboratory and the University of Maine as a regional collaborative venture to advance academics, medical research and clinical care in rural Maine.

University of Maine

5782 Winslow Hall, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$275,000 for:

Maine Lowbush Blueberry Sustainable Production and Processing Research: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because a strong research program would support sustainable crop management research and innovations in processing to remain globally competitive with other fruits. Funding is critical to Maine's Wild Blueberry growers and processors that a strong research program supports sustainable crop management research and innovations in processing to remain globally competitive with other fruits.

Challenger Learning Center of Maine

30 Venture Way, Bangor, ME 04401

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Maine Mobile Science Outreach Program: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide rural students with access to science programs that they currently lack.

Community Counseling Center

343 Forest Avenue, Portland, ME 04101-2006

Requested Funding: \$1,000,000 for:

Maine National Guard - Rural Reintegration Pilot Program (MNG-RRPP): This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will honor our commitment to our veterans by ensuring they have access to the programs that they need to successfully re-enter civilian life. Maine is a rural state, and a large number of the 2,162 Maine Guardsmen who have deployed in GWOT (and their families) are isolated from mental health services. The Maine NG Rural Reintegration Pilot Program would fill this current gap.

University of Maine Cooperative Extension

103 Libby Hall, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Maine Potato Integrated Pest Management: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will promote agricultural economic development by helping IPM scientists track potential pest outbreaks and help provide growers with current information on specific and timely treatments in order to minimize the number of pesticide applications and maximize potato yield. Potatoes are the top agricultural commodity in the State of Maine. The research will help IPM scientists track potential pest outbreaks and minimize the number of pesticide applications and maximize potato yield.

US Fish & Wildlife Service

PO Box 495 16 Rockport Park Center, Rockland, ME 04856

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Maine Seabird Nesting Islands: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help preserve 87 of the state's most important seabird islands. The refuge is seeking to acquire 6 nationally significant seabird nesting locations.

Colonel Joel Wilkinson

284 State Street 41 SHS, Augusta, ME 04333

Requested Funding: \$550,000 for:

Maine Search & Rescue Enhancement Project: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will enhance the ability of Maine Game Wardens to provide public safety operations. This initiative focuses on equipment purchases that will improve mission effectiveness, interagency coordination, communication, and efficiency performing mandated public safety search and rescue duties.

University of Maine

5782 Winslow Hall, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Managing Invasive Plants in Acadia National Park: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will ensure the viability of wildlife and environmental diversity in Acadia National Park by developing environmentally responsible methods to combat Japanese barberry, which is the most widely distributed invasive plant in Acadia National Park and is rapidly outcompeting native plants and threatening the ecology and natural beauty of the Park.

Maine Department of Marine Resources

21 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333

Requested Funding: \$100,000 for:

ME/NH Inshore Trawl Survey: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will aid the growth of the fishing industry in Maine. This project provides vital data otherwise lacking on over 30 species. ME's commercial fisheries account for \$363 million. Data from this survey has been used in state and federal management, and is vital to the future of Maine's fishing industry.

University of Maine

5703 Alumni Road, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$1,000,000 for:

Microenvironment Instrument for Deployed Force Health Monitoring: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide the research necessary to continue the production of state-of-the-art military technology designed to protect our troops while creating high-quality jobs in the State of Maine. This funding will help develop a unique microenvironment instrument that will enable a quantitative study of the correlation of exposure to combinations of pollutants and toxins of deployed troops with associated health risks, disease epidemiology, and wound healing.

Saint Joseph's College White's Bridge Rd. Standish Maine

278 White's Bridge Rd., Standish, ME 04084

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Milfoil Infestation, Mitigation, Eradication, Research & Education Initiative Lakes in the State of Maine: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help to address the milfoil threat in the State of Maine, a problem that impacts a variety of wildlife and a range of industries.

Millinocket Historical Society

53 Oak Street, Millinocket, ME 04462

Requested Funding: \$100,000 for:

Millinocket Historical Society Preservation Project: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide an opportunity for students and local citizens to learn about the history of the State. This project will fund the planning and development of the Millinocket Historical Society museum.

Town of Milo

50 Mayo Street, Dover Foxcroft, ME 04426

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Milo Industrial Park Sewer Line Extension: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will ensure that equipment vital to the protection of the environment and public health remains in place while lowering start-up costs for businesses interested in locating themselves in the Milo Industrial Park.

Town sewer services would be extended to the new Eastern Piscataquis Industrial Park in rural Maine by upgrading an existing 3,940' line from 6" clay pipe to 10" PVC pipe and extending the line another 1,260 feet to reach the Industrial Park.

General Dynamics Armament and Technical Products (GDATP)

2941 Fairview Park Drive Suite 100, Falls Church, VA 22042

Requested Funding: \$11,900 for:

MK-19 MOD 3 Grenade Machine Gun (40mm) - Army Procurement: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide our nation's military with the equipment necessary to defend the United States. The MK19 MOD 3 Grenade Machine Gun is an air cooled, blow-back operated, belt fed crew served 40mm automatic weapon system capable of a firing rate of 325-375 rounds per minute. The MK19 fires all 40mm ammunition in the DOD inventory.

General Dynamics Armament and Technical Products Saco Operations

2941 Fairview Park Drive Suite 100, Falls Church, ME 22042

Requested Funding: \$10 for:

MK47 MOD 0 Advanced Lightweight Grenade Launcher (ALGL): This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide our nation's military with the equipment necessary to defend the United States. The MK47 ALGL is a lightweight 40mm grenade launcher and day/night fire control which provides target acquisition and ballistic solution. The fire control feeds ballistic solutions to the gun for accurate first round hits on target lethality.

Gulf of Maine Research Institute

350 Commercial Street, Portland, ME 04101

Requested Funding: \$300,000 for:

Model to Provide Universal Access to Science Literacy: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide young students with programs in science that are currently not available at public schools.

National Park Service (Acadia National Park)

43 Cottage St. P.O. Box 45, Bar Harbor, ME 04609

Requested Funding: \$553,500 for:

Modernizing Transportation Information Systems and Infrastructure for the Island Explorer: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will improve environmental protection efforts in Acadia National Park and improve access to the park for Maine residents. Friends of Acadia is requesting \$553,500 to upgrade the Island Explorer's transportation information systems and to complete design, engineering, and compliance for 12 bus stops. The buses carried an average of 3,585 passengers/day in 2008 season.

Penobscot Marine Museum

PO Box 498 5 Church Street, Searsport, ME 04974

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Moving Forward through Historic Preservation: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it has the potential of creating economic development in the region. Funds will be used to renovate the historic Whitcomb-Pendleton Block in downtown Searsport to house galleries, program space, and museum administrative offices.

Aroostook County

P.O. Box 779, Caribou, ME 04736

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Municipal and Small Business Energy Savings Program: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help to provide businesses throughout Maine the means to lower operating costs by decreasing energy use. This program would promote and facilitate energy audits in small businesses and municipal facilities.

University of Maine

5703 Alumni Hall, Orono, ME 04669

Requested Funding: \$5,000,000 for:

National Cold Water Marine Aquaculture Center (NCWMAC): This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it has the potential to create jobs in aquaculture development in Maine. This facility completes the USDA National Coldwater Aquaculture Research Center in Franklin, ME. \$5 M is needed to finish construction in Orono.

Gulf of Maine Research Institute

350 Commercial Street, Portland, ME 04101

Requested Funding: \$200,000 for:

Natural Biopolymer Research & Development Partnership: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide the research necessary to help ensure that those wounded defending our country have access to the most advanced medical care possible. Funding would support research at the Gulf of Maine Research Institute in collaboration with FMC Corporation to develop natural biopolymer-based medical devices for wound healing, orthopedic and drug delivery applications.

Town of Greenville

50 Mayo Street, Dover Foxcroft, ME 04426

Requested Funding: \$150,000 for:

Natural Resource Education Center: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will create programs to promote nature and career education for children and adults and create jobs. Greenville's Natural Education Resource Center seeks to construct a 2,500 sq. ft. facility on land it owns along with land donated by the ME DOT. Its services and programs promote nature and career education for children and adults and creates jobs.

US Army Corps of Engineers New England District

696 Virginia Road Concord, Concord, Massachusetts 01742-2751

Requested Funding: \$1,670,000 for:

Navigation Maintenance Program-Maintenance Dredging: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will improve recreational and commercial access to several harbors throughout Maine.

Maine Manufacturing Extension Partnership

87 Winthrop Street, Augusta, ME 04330

Requested Funding: \$5,000,000 for:

New England Defense Job Creation Initiative: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will increase the likelihood of success for small Maine businesses. The project could increase defense jobs in small manufacturers by increasing their success for awards for production of machine parts utilizing a newly developed and proven turn-key production system.

University of Maine

5782 Winslow Hall, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$100,000 for:

New England Invasive Plant Center: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will strengthen environmental viability and economic development by establishing a multi-state, interdisciplinary Center for Invasive Plants to address the problem of noxious invasive plants which cause at least a \$35 billion loss per year to the U.S. economy.

Bucksport Regional Health Center

110 Broadway, Bucksport, ME 04416

Requested Funding: \$200,000 for:

New Medical Equipment at the Bucksport Regional Health Center: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it would provide medical services that are currently unavailable to the poor, vulnerable and underserved in the communities around the Bucksport Regional Health Center and potentially result in job creation.

The Bucksport Regional Health Center is requesting funding to purchase new medical and dental equipment required for the functioning of the new medical and dental wing to be completed at the Health Center's facility in Bucksport during FY 2009.

University of Maine

5782 Winslow Hall, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$100,000 for:

New Potato Varieties for Environmental and Economic Sustainability in the Northeast: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will increase productivity and decrease costs in the potato agriculture economy by developing new potato varieties that combine excellent quality with high yields and pest resistance.

University of Maine

AEWC Building, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$3,000,000 for:

Next Generation Composite Wind Blade Manufacturing Technologies: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will create jobs in the State of Maine. Currently, the majority of composite windblades are manufactured in Asia and South America. This project will develop materials and processes to increase manufacturing productivity to bring blade production back to the U.S.

Northeast Creek Workforce Housing

P.O. Box 28 80 Mount Desert Street, Bar Harbor, ME 04609

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Northeast Creek Workforce Housing Development: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will lower the costs of 31 units of middle income workforce housing, allowing the local workforce such as police, firefighters etc. to purchase a home. Funding will be used to build infrastructure, i.e., roads, water, sewer, and hydro, for 31 units of middle income workforce housing at its Northeast Creek Development for families at Mount Desert Island that are completely locked out of homeownership opportunities.

Coastal Enterprises, Inc. (CEI)

P.O. Box 268 36 Water Street, Wiscasset, ME 04578

Requested Funding: \$1,000,000 for:

Northern Border Green Business Investment and Job Creation Initiative: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will stimulate the local economy while creating green jobs. CEI, a Maine-based, private non-profit 501(c)(3) Community Development Finance Institution, proposes a one-year project to help capitalize and launch the Northern Border Green Business Investment and Job Creation Initiative.

University of Maine

5703 Alumni Hall, Orono, ME, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Northern Border University Research Consortium (NBURC): This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will ensure that border policies are protecting the economic and security interest of Maine residents. Funding will enable a six university research consortium to examine and assess how the Canadian border is performing and whether border management policies have been successful in facilitating economic prosperity while enhancing security.

University of Maine

5782 Winslow Hall, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$1,000,000 for:

Northern States Research Cooperative: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will greatly enhance our ability to assure sustained productivity of the Acadian forest. This project provides funds to include Maine in the NSRC, which was authorized by Congress in 1998 and in 2003 to support research on ecosystems, economic development, forest products and conservation efforts to benefit the Northern Forest.

Odamogan Living History Museum

23 Wabenaki LN. P.O. Box 254, Litchfield, ME 04350-0254

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Odamogan Living History Museum Project: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide students an opportunity to learn about local history that is not available in public schools while creating jobs in the region. Funding will be used for the development of the museum.

University of Maine

AEWC Building, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$5,000,000 for:

Offshore Wind Initiative for the Gulf of Maine: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will increase Maine's ability to use clean, environmentally friendly energy sources and create jobs. This project is the foundation for an aggressive \$100 million, 10 year plan for the design, testing, and deployment of composite floating wind turbine platforms in the Gulf of Maine to generate renewable energy to transition Maine away from oil heat.

Penobscot River Restoration Trust

172 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04347

Requested Funding: \$5,000,000 for:

Penobscot River Restoration Project: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will preserve several important species of wildlife.

The Penobscot River Project is in implementation phase, allowing for the restoration of Maine's largest river. By removing 2 dams and by-passing a 3rd, 11 species of sea-run fish will have habitat in the river.

Penobscot River Restoration Trust

172 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04347

Requested Funding: \$1,000,000 for:

Penobscot River Restoration Project 3: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will preserve several important species of wildlife.

The Penobscot River Project is in implementation phase, allowing for the restoration of Maine's largest river. By removing 2 dams and by-passing a 3rd, 11 species of sea-run fish will have habitat in the river.

Town of Brownville

50 Mayo Street, Dover Foxcroft, ME 04426

Requested Funding: \$250,000 for:

Penquis Collaborative Solid Waste Recycling Center: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because the new facility will reduce expenses for waste management. A regional facility shared by adjoining towns would achieve state mandates while saving on operating costs, increasing efficiency, eliminating unnecessary duplication, and improving effectiveness.

Downeast Manufacturing and Assembly

38 US route 1, Gouldsboro, ME 04607

Requested Funding: \$4,000,000 for:

Personal Miniature Thermal Viewer (PMTV): This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will potentially provide troops and law enforcement with night vision equipment that has higher resolution with improved performance, and situational awareness in total darkness and smoke-obscured environments.

Development of a 640 x 480 FPA based lightweight PMTV that is higher resolution with improved performance, which will provide the warfighter increased situational awareness in total darkness and smoke-obscured environments.

Portland Fish Pier Authority

6 Portland Fish Pier, Portland, ME 04103

Requested Funding: \$150,000 for:

Pier 3 Sorting/Processing Building: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will enhance economic development in coastal Maine. Funds will be used for the construction of a sorting/unloading building at The Portland Fish Exchange for further commercial fishing development and growth.

Zachariah Conover

48 Tandberg Trail P.O. Box 1886, Windham, ME 04062

Requested Funding: \$2,000,000 for:

Portable Non-Magnetic Compass/Positioning/Timing Device: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide the research necessary to continue the production of state-of-the-art military technology while creating high-quality jobs in the State of Maine. This program directly supports the warfighter by developing a non-magnetic hand-held compass/positioning device for troops involved in urban patrols and operations.

The Jackson Laboratory

600 Main Street, Bar Harbor, ME 04609

Requested Funding: \$245,000 for:

Public-private Partnership to Improve Science Education through an Online Curriculum, Grades 7-12: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help ensure that teachers in Maine high schools receive the training necessary to facilitate quality science programs. This funding will help develop a program between JAX and Maine's middle and high schools. Maine middle/high school teachers will be assisted in developing web-based genetics education materials tailored to their own classrooms with support of JAX scientists/databases. Teachers will connect by Internet to share lesson plans, results.

ANGEL Secure Networks, Inc.

20 Godfrey Drive, Orono, ME 04473

Requested Funding: \$3,800,000 for:

Random Obfuscating Compiler Anti-Tamper Software: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide the research necessary to continue the production of state-of-the-art military technology while creating high-quality jobs in the State of Maine. Funding would be used to capture critical DoD technology from capture and reverse engineering.

Maine Department of Conservation

22 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04330

Requested Funding: \$3,460,000 for:

Rangeley High Peaks Phase 1: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will support conservation efforts and allow for the continued flow of forest products to surrounding communities. The Rangeley High Peaks Project, Phase 1, will conserve three tracts totaling 13,446 acres in the towns of Rangeley and Madrid, and Mount Abram Township, which are critical to the economic, recreation, and conservation vision for the region.

Maine Department of Marine Resources

21 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Red Tide Monitoring and Lamoine Laboratory Expansion: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it to meet the needs of the Downeast fishing industry.

There are over 1,414 shellfish harvesters in Eastern Maine whose shellfish was worth roughly \$11 million at the docks in 2007. This project is necessary to protect human health and safety and meet the needs of the Downeast fishing industry and public.

Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory

PO Box 35 Old Bar Harbor Road, Salisbury Cove, ME 04672

Requested Funding: \$3,000,000 for:

Regenerative Medicine Research: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide the research necessary to ensure that our nations veterans have access to the most sophisticated treatments possible for their wartime injuries. MDIBL will conduct research for Regenerative Medicine to study marine vertebrates known to regenerate organs and limbs to learn how humans can regain this capacity.

CMMC College of Nursing and Health Professions

70 Middle Street, Lewiston, ME 04240

Requested Funding: \$200,000 for:

Regional Nursing, Health Professions & EMT Training via Network Enhancement: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help increase the health professions workforce in Maine. Funding will help increase health professions workforce by upgrading/adding sites to our distance learning network. Installing an Ethernet bridge w/multicast capability; upgrading 3 sites; adding 2 new sites.

Bangor Museum and History Center

73 Harlow Street, Bangor, Maine 04401

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Renovation of the Bangor Museum and History Center: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will enhance community development and create jobs in the area. The Bangor Historical Society's renovation of the Bangor Museum is driven by the need for conservationally sound space for its renowned historical collections of local, regional and national significance.

Waterville Area Boys & Girls Club and YMCA at the Alford Youth Center

126 North Street, Waterville, ME 04901, ME 04901

Requested Funding: \$350,000 for:

Residential Youth Development Camp Facilities: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will build needed structures and provide equipment and facilities for Maine's youth and military families. Funding will be used for the

construction of Recreation Hall & 20 bed Residential Cabin at Camp Tracy for overnight youth camps for Maine's youth, military children, & New England's inner-city youth.

The Rural Business Energizer Program

PO Box 299 248 Bucksport Road, Ellsworth, ME 04605

Requested Funding: \$250,000 for:

Rural Business Energizer Program: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will create jobs and improve economic development in Maine by providing business and marketing training, technical assistance and networking opportunities to students in rural communities throughout Maine. The Rural Business Energizer Program will train a new body of entrepreneurs to meet the challenge of building viable businesses to create and maintain jobs through business and marketing training, technical assistance and networking opportunities.

C. A. Dean Memorial Hospital

PO Box 1129, 364 Pritham Ave. 364 Pritham Avenue, Greenville, ME 04441

Requested Funding: \$250,000 for:

Rural Critical Access Hospital - Upgraded Cardiac Monitoring & Cancer Detection Equipment: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide much-needed heart monitoring and cancer detection equipment at a health facility in Maine.

Inland Hospital

200 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Waterville, ME 04901

Requested Funding: \$100,000 for:

Rural Healthcare Emergency Preparedness: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it has the potential to save lives and retain jobs in Central Maine.

The hospital will purchase a simulator with this funding.

Sacopee Valley Health Center

70 Main Street, Porter, Maine 04068 PO Box 777, Parsonsfield, ME 04047, Porter, ME 04068

Requested Funding: \$400,000 for:

Sacopee Valley Health Center property acquisition, facility expansion, renovation and equipment: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide the additional room required to address healthcare needs in the rural area surrounding Sacopee Valley Health Center and enhance public safety efforts by providing additional room for Oxford County Sheriff's Deputies.

The LifeFlight Foundation

P.O. Box 1007 51 South Union Road, Union, ME 04353

Requested Funding: \$341,000 for:

Saving More Lives While Maintaining Jobs by Improving the Aviation Infrastructure of Maine's Emergency Medical Helicopters: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because the project has the potential to save lives and maintain jobs in the area. This project would save more lives while maintaining jobs by upgrading LifeFlight's communications system by improving aviation infrastructure with digital radios.

Maine Scallop Advisory Council

18 Eastman Rd., Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Scallop Enhancement: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it has the potential to restore a vital Maine industry. Millions of dollars could be brought to coastal Maine communities by a restored scallop fishery. Funding will be used to restore the industry.

Marine Environmental Research Institute

PO Box 1652 55 Main Street, Blue Hill, ME 04614

Requested Funding: \$350,000 for:

Seals As Sentinels: Assessing Impacts of Toxic Contaminants in NW Atlantic Marine Ecosystem: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help to protect the Maine fishing industry, as well as consumers, from dangerous chemicals in the Atlantic Ocean. MERI's Seals As Sentinels project seeks to protect ecosystem integrity and human health through the development of the first region-wide dataset on levels and effects of chemical pollutants in harbor seals and fish stocks along the Atlantic seaboard.

Western Maine Community Action, Inc.

P O Box 200 20A Church St, East Wilton, ME 04234

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Security, Safety & Energy Efficiency for Maine's Elders (See ME): This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will increase energy efficiency for many elderly, low-income Mainers. This statewide low-income elder-focused project will help elders maintain independence by identifying risks & increasing security, safety and energy efficiency. Funds will provide home safety assessments, energy audits & follow-up action.

Penobscot County Sheriff's Office

85 Hammond Street, Bangor, ME 04401

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Sheriff Taskforce to collaborate with Maine schools in a comprehensive multi-hazard interoperable response plan: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will ensure that multi-hazard, disaster relief plans are in place to protect our communities. Funding would be used for a multi-county Task Force that will collaborate with the rural Maine schools to develop a multi-hazard, coordinated and practiced emergency response plan.

Somerset County, Maine

41 Court Street, Skowhegan, ME 04976

Requested Funding: \$296,570 for:

Somerset County Rural Transit Project: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will enhance public transportation in rural Maine.

The county has critical need for two, new 18-passenger buses to provide service along two corridors (East/West and North/South).

SteriPEN-HydroPhoton, Crystal IS

262 Ellsworth Road, Blue Hill, ME 04464

Requested Funding: \$3,000,000 for:

SteriPEN/Crystal IS Ultraviolet LED Safe Water Initiative: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide an approach to purifying drinking water that is environmentally clean and energy efficient. Hydro-Photon, in collaboration with Crystal IS, seeks to develop a new technology for UV disinfection of drinking water through the use of a new, environmentally clean and energy efficient approach to the production of ultraviolet light.

The Cromwell Center For Disabilities Awareness

57 Exchange St. Suite 203, Portland, ME 04101

Requested Funding: \$300,000 for:

Student Disabilities Awareness Program: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it provides important programs on disability awareness for Maine's students. Funding will expand a program that serves public schools by providing classroom sessions for students in Grades 3 through 6 that promote positive attitudes, understanding, and acceptance of peers and all people with all types of disabilities.

Good Will-Hinckley

P.O. Box 159, Route 201, Hinckley, ME 04944

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Technical Job Training at risk youth Center: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help to transition at-risk youths into the workforce, reducing their dependency on state aid programs. Career Technical Center needs equipment for job training of at-risk youth in ME.

Maine Manufacturing Extension Partnership

87 Winthrop Street, Augusta, ME 04330

Requested Funding: \$5,000,000 for:

The New England M.O.S.T Program: A Proven Job Creation Initiative: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide individuals from disadvantaged populations an opportunity to gain the skills necessary to re-enter the workforce. The New England Mobile Occupational Skills Training (M.O.S.T.) Program is a job creation solution by which up to 500 individuals from the disadvantaged population would be placed in entry level manufacturing jobs within two

weeks of training.

ORPC Maine, LLC

2 Portland Fish Pier Suite 307, Portland, ME 04101

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Tidal Energy Environmental Monitoring Program: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will create jobs in Maine while advancing research on a tidal energy system that has the potential to move Maine towards cleaner, environmentally friendly forms of power. Tidal energy provides a unique opportunity in ME to generate emission-free electricity from an indigenous renewable resource. The project will provide equipment and analysis for detecting sea life, noise, vibration, and other environmental factors.

ORPC Maine, LLC

2 Portland Fish Pier Suite 307, Portland, ME 04101

Requested Funding: \$472,000 for:

Tidal Energy Site Characterization and Analysis: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will create jobs in Maine while advancing research on a tidal energy system that has the potential to move Maine towards cleaner, environmentally friendly forms of power. Funds will be used for site evaluation and analysis necessary for environmental permits and final design of the first commercial tidal energy device installation in the US.

Portland Fish Exchange

6 Portland Fish Pier, Portland, ME 04103

Requested Funding: \$85,000 for:

Tote Washer Replacement: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it helps to improve sanitation efforts at the Portland Fish Exchange.

Purchase of a new tote washer; the current machine has reached the end of its service life.

Town of Machias

P.O. Box 418, Machias, ME 04654

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Town of Machias, Sewer System Upgrade: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will make much-needed infrastructure upgrades to address health and environmental concerns. Due to failing septic systems, the Town would like to construct a sewer extension to serve the E. Route 1 area of the community.

Town of Madawaska

328 St. Thomas St., Suite 101, Madawaska, ME 04756

Requested Funding: \$1,000,000 for:

Town of Madawaska, Sewer System Upgrade: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will make much-needed infrastructure upgrades to address health and environmental concerns. This project will help assist in various water and sewer upgrades in the Town of Madawaska.

The Jackson Laboratory

600 Main Street, Bar Harbor, ME 04609

Requested Funding: \$2,000,000 for:

Translational Research, Muscular Dystrophy: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will make cutting-edge research on muscular dystrophy, a disease that disproportionately effects the military population, available for application in military and civilian settings. Specialized mouse models of the variants of muscular dystrophy are needed to understand disease progression and successfully identify effective therapeutics. Small animal MRI will help translate discoveries into human health benefits.

U.S. NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS

2300 Wilson Blvd. North, Arlington, VA 22201

Requested Funding: \$100,000 for:

U.S. NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it provides an avenue for young Mainers to explore a career in our nation's military.

University of Maine

5703 Alumni Hall, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Vaccines to Prevent Aquatic Animal Disease in Maine: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will promote environmental protections and economic development by supporting several aquaculture biotechnology companies recently founded in Maine and support the development of autologous vaccines specifically designed for Maine and the rest of the US. This project will support development of a Maine aquaculture bioreactor facility research to improve the health and welfare of aquacultured and restocked fish, providing an effective means for treating regional, farm specific strains of pathogens.

Northern Maine Veterans Cemetery Corporation

P.O. Box 393, Masardis, ME 04732

Requested Funding: \$350,000 for:

Veterans Memorial Building: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will honor Maine's veterans and create construction jobs.

The project is to build a 3050 square foot veterans memorial building with a with a viewing area, a history room and

restrooms with inside and outside access.

Central Maine Community College

1250 Turner Street, Auburn, ME 04210

Requested Funding: \$150,000 for:

Veterans to College Initiative: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide resources for veterans to further their education. This funding will provide veterans a "one-stop shop" where they can receive comprehensive advising assistance on higher education options, an analysis of how their military training can apply toward credits, and how their GI or other benefits can be applied.

University of New England

11 Hills Beach Road, Biddeford, ME 04005

Requested Funding: \$1,000,000 for:

Veterans Transitional Care and Integration Program: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide much-needed health care services for veterans and their families. Funding will help provide a comprehensive health care and support program for returning veterans and their families in Maine based on the 2007 President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.

Wabanaki-Bates College, Bowdoin College, and Colby College Native American Collaboration

2 Andrews Road, Lewiston, ME 04240

Requested Funding: \$250,000 for:

Wabanaki-BBC Native American Collaboration: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide traditionally disadvantaged students an avenue to explore and pursue a college education. The Wabanaki Tribes and Bates, Colby, and Bowdoin Colleges propose a project to increase the enrollment and retention of Native American students at the Colleges. The Colleges have committed to more than match the federal contribution to this effort.

Penobscot East Resource Center

PO Box 27, Stonington, ME 04681

Requested Funding: \$100,000 for:

Washington and Hancock County fishing community economic development fund: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will provide an environmentally-friendly, conservation based fishing model while stimulating the local economy.

Town of Farmington

153 Farmington Falls Road, Farmington, ME 04938

Requested Funding: \$500,000 for:

Whistle-Stop Recreational Trail Bridge: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will enhance transportation infrastructure and has the potential to create new jobs. This transportation infrastructure project will construct a

recreational trail bridge across the Sandy River at the site of a former railroad trestle. The bridge will connect the 14.5 mile Whistle-Stop Trail to downtown Farmington and points north.

University of Maine

5782 Winslow Hall, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$7,000,000 for:

Wood Utilization Research: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it would promote economic development and environmental protections in the Maine forest industry by generating new knowledge and technologies necessary to balance the sustainable use of our Nation's forest resources with the need to maintain a domestic forest products industry. This program funds 13 Wood Utilization Research Centers that generate the new knowledge and technologies necessary to balance the sustainable use of our Nation's forest resources with the need to maintain a domestic forest products industry.

University of Maine

5703 Alumni Road, Orono, ME 04469

Requested Funding: \$3,000,000 for:

Woody Biomass Conversion to JP-8 Fuel: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help the DoD move away from a reliance on petroleum based fuels. Funding will help develop Integrated Forest Products Refinery processes and technologies to efficiently and cost effectively replace petroleum-derived JP-8 with woody biomass alternatives to support DoD compliance with governing Energy Policy Acts and Executive Orders

Aroostook County

P.O. Box 779, Caribou, ME 04736

Requested Funding: \$200,000 for:

Worker Training Incentive Program: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help retrain laid-off workers to gain employment.

Funding would be used to provide non-reimbursable expenses associated with worker retraining. This program would underwrite training costs for laid off workers from closed mills. Funds would help to replace the Governor's Training Initiative (GTI) which has been exhausted and would be used to underwrite tuition, books, travel and childcare costs related to retraining.

York County Community College

112 College Dr., Wells, ME 04090

Requested Funding: \$100,000 for:

York County Community College Access Road: This is a good use of taxpayers' funds because it will help address critical US Route 1 improvements and create jobs. The College seeks to build an access road from the parking lot to US Route 1 using an existing right-of-way. This project would also make critical US Route 1 improvements at this intersection in line with Maine DOT's Route 1 corridor priorities.